

## **David C. Roberts**

David Roberts is the Manager of the Water Rights & Contracts Department at the Salt River Project. The Department is comprised of two divisions: Water Rights & Contracts and Research Archives. The Water Rights & Contracts division is responsible for coordinating all water rights and water contract related activities for Salt River Project. The Research Archives division is responsible for providing historical research services and for maintaining the corporate history of Salt River Project. David's areas of expertise include:

- Indian Water Rights Settlements
- Gila River and Little Colorado River Stream Adjudications
- Rural Water Issues
- Groundwater Management Act
- Water Exchanges and Transfers
- Water Supply Acquisitions and Permitting

David has been a member of a number of planning and advisory committees for rural watershed groups, the Bureau of Reclamation, and the Arizona Department of Water Resources. He is a member of the Arizona Municipal Utilities Leadership Institute and the Arizona Hydrological Society. David also serves on two Legislative Committees, the Rural Watershed Task Force and the Blue Ribbon Committee on Effluent.

David has recently co-authored a paper which was published in the University of Arizona Water Law Review in 2007 entitled, "Beyond the Colorado River: Is an International Water Augmentation Consortium in Arizona's Future?" which suggests that Arizona and Mexico partner to develop a large desalination project to serve the growing water needs of northern Sonora Mexico and Arizona.

David has worked for Salt River Project for 21 years. Prior to coming to Salt River Project, David worked for the Arizona Department of Water Resources and the Bureau of Reclamation. David has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Wildlife Biology from Arizona State University.